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the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are undernourished has increased from 600 million to 800 million (FAO 1996).

There are a number of reasons why the world's population is becoming more undernourished. The most important is the rapid increase in the world's population, which is now over 6 billion and is projected to reach 9 billion by the year 2050 (FAO 1996).

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